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Alleged grievances of unpassed men in service.

* 186 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to refer to the debates in Volume XXIII, page 1050 et seq. on my amendment as to the grievances of unpassed men affected by certain Government orders and state—

(a) what is the total of the increments drawn by unpassed clerks after March 1923 which were held by Government to have been wrongly given in the several departments ;

(b) whether any clerks in the offices under the control of the Collectors of South Kanara and Malabar were made to refund the increments so drawn ;

(c) if so, what was the total amount ; and

(d) what orders Government have passed on my amendment as well as the resolution as amended, which were both carried (Volume XXIII, page 1073) ?

A.—(a) The Government have not the information.

(b) In memorials received from certain unpassed clerks in the South Kanara and Malabar districts, it is stated that increments drawn by them have been recovered from them. Government have no other information on the point.

(c) The Government have no information.

(d) The hon. Member is referred to the statement of resolutions passed by the Council and the action taken on them by the Government. The statement has been laid on the table of the House.

Mr. R. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR :—"Sir, with reference to clause (d), a statement is said to have been laid on the table. We have not received any statement at all nor can we find any statement laid on the table of this House. May I ask, if it has not been already laid on the table, it may be done so now ? "

The hon. Mr. N. E. MARJORIBANKS :—" The statement has not been laid on the table, but it will be shortly placed there. The information was communicated to the Council Office and I hope it will, in due course, be laid on the table."

Mr. R. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR :—" Am I to understand that it will be laid on the table shortly ? "

The hon. Mr. N. E. MARJORIBANKS :—" I presume so, Sir."

Court of Wards and Zamindars.

The Panchalankurichi zamindari.

* 187 Q.—Mr. A. CHIDAMBARA NADAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether there was any order of the Government at the time when the Panchalankurichi zamindari in Tinnevelly district was taken up by the Government that it should be given back to the descendants of the deposed zamindar after 100 years ;

(b) if so, the reason for not acting upon the order ;

(c) whether any petition was submitted to the Government by the descendants of the original zamindar ;